

PREFATORY NOTE

In Memoriam.

THE REV. WM. McMILLAN, PH.D., D.D.

ACCORDING to the practice of the Society it should have fallen to Dr. McMillan, as President during the Triennium 1948-50, to write the Preface to this Volume X of the *Records*. In December 1949, however, the Society learnt with sorrow of the death of its President.

The Rev. William McMillan, Ph.D., D.D., was a distinguished minister of the Church of Scotland who served his Church in many spheres as Parish minister, Chaplain to the Forces and Convener of its Committee on "Public Worship and Aids to Devotion." Minister of St. Leonards' Parish Church, Dunfermline, he was recognised as an authority on many aspects of Presbyterian Worship and Church Government. He was author of a number of publications dealing with ecclesiastical history including *The Worship of the Scottish Reformed Church, 1560-1630*, the subject of the Hastie Lectures delivered in the University of Glasgow, 1927-30; and *John Hepburn and the Hebronites*. He was a frequent contributor to historical journals.

Dr. McMillan was a foundation member of the Scottish Church History Society and rarely missed a meeting. In the volumes of *Records* are more contributions from his pen than from that of any other member. In this Volume is printed his last Paper to the Society, a contribution typical of his wide knowledge of the byways of Scottish Church History after the Revolution Settlement particularly in his native Dumfriesshire so rich in Covenanting lore.

The Society was honoured in having him as its President and mourns his passing in the last year of his Presidential office.

THOMAS MAXWELL, *Hon. Secretary.*

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